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SUBJECT: FUTURE ACTIONS IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS OFF ROK
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REF: (A) STATE 201476 (231750Z AUG 75)

(B) STATE 51364 (071659Z MAR 75)

1. WE HAVE REVIEWED REF A AND CONCUR WITH THE GUIDANCE IN PARAS
1 THRU 4.

2. THE ROK NAVY WAS IN FACT INSTRUCTED SOME TIME AGO BY COMMANDER
NAVAL FORCES KOREA (CNFK) REGARDING THE GERMANE PORTIONS OF
INTERNATIONAL LAW OUTLINED IN REFS A AND B. SPECIFICALLY,
CNFK HAS MADE CLEAR THAT THE TECHNIQUES OF "BLOCKING", OR
"HERDING" WILL NOT BE UTILIZED. CURRENT RULES OF ENGAGEMENT
(ROE) REQUIRE A "HOSTILE ACT" E.G., ACTUAL FIRING PRIOR
TO DECLARING HOSTILE AND ENGAGING. ROK NAVY UNDERSTANDS AND
ACCEPTS THESE PRINCIPLES, IS WELL DISCIPLINED AND WE ANTICIPATE
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NO PROBLEM WITH COMPLIANCE. CONDUCT OF ROKN HAS BEEN IMPECCABLE

IN THE SEVEN MONTHS SINCE LAST INCIDENT.

3. GIVEN THE FOREGOING, WE DO NOT BELIEVE ANY FURTHER CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE SECOND ALTERNATIVE (SEPARATE PATROL FORCE) SUGGESTED IN PARA 5, REF A. RETENTION OF UNC OPCON OVER ALL ROKN COMBATTANTS IS CLEARLY PREFERABLE.

4. FYI, ROKG HAS AUTHORIZED ROK FISHING CRAFT TO RE-ENTER THE FISHING ZONE ABANDONED EARLIER.
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